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Brookwood Hills Garden Club's 80th Anniversary Soirée: A Night with Neighbors

Contributed by Amanda Szwast, Brookwood Hills Garden Club

The weather was perfect and the patio was open when the Brookwood Hills Garden Club hosted 250 neighbors and friends at the 80th Anniversary Soiree at Watershed Restaurant on Saturday, April 14th. It was an exciting opportunity to meet Watershed's new chef-owner, Matt Marcus. Matt was equally thrilled to introduce himself to the neighborhood and treated attendees to specially made cocktail gummies and Edna's original fried chicken (topped with red caviar). The evening included: a fun raffle where guests won 77 prizes across six categories; a silent auction with items ranging from trips to original art; and a live auction emceed by the very entertaining Rich Perkey and Glenn Kolker. Goat Rodeo finished the night with a live music dance party.

The purpose of the Soirée — planned by JoEllyn Bass, Kara Guidry, and Amanda Szwast — was to raise money for the Garden Club to contribute to the upcoming Brookwood Hills Park Renovation and neighborhood beautification. Thanks to the generosity of all the sponsors, donors, and attendees, the event more than met its goal, by not only marking the milestone anniversary of our garden club and raising money, but providing an incredible evening out for neighbors.



Kelley Berman, Neil Berman and Jon Ventulett



Sara Jean Burke, Ellen Banister, Jan Irvin and Mac Irvin

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Find Us on Facebook

Brookwood Hills now has TWO Facebook groups for sharing news, alerts, photos, babysitting notices, etc. Please request to join:

Brookwood Hills Community Club

www.facebook.com/groups/bwhcc

For members of the Brookwood Hills Community Club ONLY. This group is to be used primarily for pool and social event updates, and other news as it pertains to our Club membership.

NEW! Brookwood Hills Neighborhood

www.facebook.com/groups/BWHneighborhood

For residents of Brookwood Hills neighborhood ONLY. This group is to be used for neighborhood security alerts, lost dogs, and other neighborhood-related issues for your convenience.

We've launched the new
www.brookwoodhills.com

now easier party, pavilion, courts reservations and more!

About BrookNotes

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Call for Submissions

BrookNotes welcomes articles, photographs, and story ideas. The deadline for the next issue is **Wednesday, 7/11/18**. Please email the *BrookNotes* co-editors at brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com.

Brookwood Hills Security

Neighborhood Patrol Cell Phone (404) 242-3321

Going Out of Town? Email BWH Security at brookwoodhillspatrol@gmail.com or call (404) 325-5114

BWH Security Chair: Matt Little
security@brookwoodhills.com
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More from the Brookwood Hills Garden Club Soirée



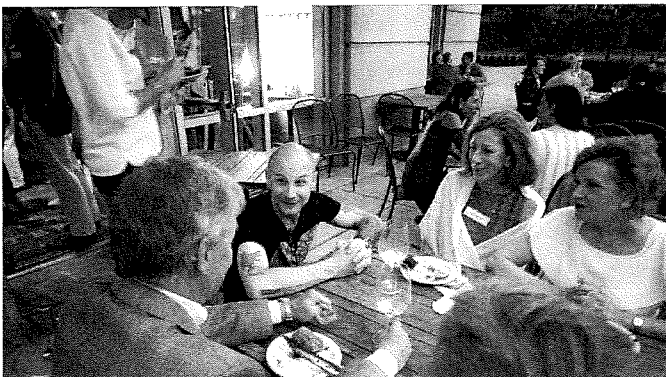
Neale and Robin Fisher, Jill Malino, Lisa Katz, Suzanne and Richard Deriso



Sheridan Watson with her donated painting



Auctioneers Rich Perkey and Glenn Kolker



New Watersbed Chef/ Owner Matt Marcus visits with neighbors

Summer Security Reminders

Contributed by Matt Little, Security Chair

We had a handful of unfortunate vehicle break-ins over the Spring Break holidays. The majority of the vehicles involved were left unlocked. Most break-ins can be avoided.

With Summer Vacations upcoming, we want to provide helpful tips to keep you and your property safe and secure:

- ◇ Always lock your vehicles.
- ◇ Park in your driveway when possible.
- ◇ Never leave valuables inside your vehicle.
- ◇ Engage your home alarm system, even during the day and while occupied.
- ◇ A well lit home is a safer home.
- ◇ If you see suspicious activity, always call 911 first. Then you can call BWH Security Patrol at (404) 242-3321.
- ◇ If you will be away from your home, BWH Security patrol will periodically check on your home and move packages from your front door and trash cans from the street. *This service is only available for active Brookwood Hills Community Club Members.* To request this service, please email our patrol at: brookwoodhillspatrol@gmail.com (Please include your name, address, dates you will be away and any other pertinent information (gate codes, expected visitors, etc.))
- ◇ Consider adding security cameras to your home. Nest and Ring have good options. Club members that have security cameras may request a BWH Security sign to display in your yard. This sign alerts people that the premise has active cameras.
- ◇ Club Members can also request BWH vehicle stickers. These stickers help our patrol and neighbors know when a vehicle belongs in the neighborhood.
- ◇ To request a sign or sticker, please email our Security Chair, Matt Little at security@brookwoodhills.com

Have a safe and fun summer!

A friendly reminder to slow down during these summer months, with so many neighbors and children out and about. Quiet electric cars must be particularly careful on our narrow streets.



Proud of our 2018 Graduates

Contributed by your BrookNotes editors

Brookwood Hills is proud to announce our 2018 graduates. Oh, the places you'll go!

Hunter Brown

Graduates from Woodward Academy and will attend Auburn University in the pre-architecture department. Son of Stephanie Brown; Palisades Road.

Ryan Coombs

Graduates from North Atlanta High School and will attend Georgia Southern University this fall. Son of Kim Tribble and Mark Lange; 59 Woodcrest Avenue.

Jack Cumbie

Graduates from The Lovett School and will attend the University of Georgia. Son of Kim and Robert Cumbie; 18 Camden Road.

Caroline Ann Garren

Graduates from The Paideia School and will attend Wake Forest University. Daughter of Michele and Ben Garren; 52 Wakefield Drive.

David Gebhardt

Graduates from The Bridgeway Academy and will attend Chattanooga State where he will work for his A.A.S. in Engineering Systems Technology with welding concentration. Son of Deborah Stacy (98 Huntington Road) and grandson of David Stacy (28 Brighton Road).

Weldon Kolker

Graduates from St. Pius X and will play college soccer for the University of Georgia. Daughter of Jan and Glenn Kolker; 137 Brighton Road.

Khaki Loughran

Graduates from Pace Academy and will attend The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill as a Morehead-Cain Scholar. She has been a Brookwood Hills resident since 2 weeks old, and will most of all miss all her Camp Superstar peeps! Daughter of Trey and Lee Loughran; 38 Palisades Road.

Marshall McCormack

Graduates from Woodward Academy and will attend Notre Dame. Son of Carrienne McCormack.

Alanna Pearson

Graduates from Woodward Academy and will attend Georgetown University. Daughter of Diana Fetta; 115 Huntington Road.

Maria Christina Schroeder

Graduates from the Atlanta International School with a bilingual International Baccalaureate diploma and will attend DePaul University, Driehaus College of Business Honors Program majoring in Business Administration & Music Business in Chicago, Illinois. Maria was born at Piedmont Hospital and has lived in Brookwood Hills since then. She attended Atlanta International School from 4K through 12th Grade without missing one day of attendance. Maria swam for Brookwood Hill's swim team from the age of 5 until 16 and served as a junior coach. Daughter of Barbara Schroeder & Chris Denton; 45 Camden Road.

Jack Sheldon

Graduates from North Atlanta High School as an IB Diploma Candidate. Was accepted to UGA, Tulane, UNC, USC and Washington & Lee, and will attend Georgia Tech. Current BWH lifeguard. Son of Karen and Stuart Sheldon.

Marshall William Simon II

Graduates from Woodward Academy and will attend the University of Alabama. Son of Katie and Freddy Simon; 22 Brighton Road.

Jessica Tardy

Graduates with honors from St. Pius X High School, will attend the University of Georgia, and was accepted into their Launch Pad program for entrepreneurial studies. Daughter of Jackie and John Tardy; 146 Brighton Road.

Eliza Waldrop

Graduates from Pace Academy and will attend the University of Mississippi. She plans to double major in integrated marketing and studio arts. Daughter of Kathleen and Art Waldrop; 128 Huntington Road.



E. Rivers Elementary School 5th Graders Move On!
 Madeline Boatright • Johnny Jackson • Alex Katz
 Henry Katz • Meyrav Malino • Mac Wickland

Neighbors Unite to Run the Publix Half Marathon with The Kyle Pease Foundation

Contributed by Rachele McGinity-Mock

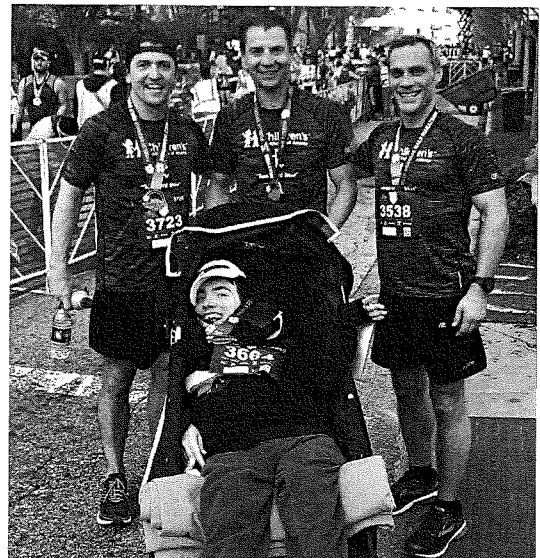
On Sunday, March 18, 2018, Brookwood Hills runners Joe Cottone, Jim Boatright, Chris Meduri, Tom Schaefer, Paul Normark, Nelson Tyrone, Bo Wilkins and Brooks Lumpkin all joined together for the first time to support The Kyle Pease Foundation during the Publix Half Marathon through the streets of Atlanta. The runners raised \$10,000 for The Kyle Pease Foundation.

Running in teams of three, each team pushed a wheelchair athlete for 13.1 miles. Everyone who participated described feeling grateful and inspired by the race. The group plans to run next year and invites all runners from Brookwood Hills to join their team.

If you are interested in joining this group, please reach out to Nelson Tyrone (nelson@tyronelaw.com). For more information about The Kyle Pease Foundation visit www.kylepeasefoundation.org



Runners Brooks Lumpkin, Sarah Adle, Tom Schaefer with Athlete Corey Barbee



Runners Bo Wilkins, Paul Normark, Joe Cottone, with Athlete Jackson Puckett



Runners Jim Boatright, Nelson Tyrone, Chris Meduri with Athlete Matthew Dooley



Celebrating at the banquet! Runners Jim Boatright, Nelson Tyrone and Chris Meduri with Athlete Matthew Dooley. Childrens cheering section: Madeline Boatright, Sebastian Meduri, Munday Tyrone, Marshall Meduri, Poppy Meduri, Vivi Meduri and Whitaker Boatright

“A Healthy Touch” Catering Makes Pool Season Tasty

Contributed by Merrell Thompson

We are proud to announce that this summer we have employed A Healthy Touch to operate our concession stand.

The summer menu will continue to expand, but currently includes classic burgers and sandwiches like the “Coach Tim” and the vegan “Impossible Burger,” salads, and kid-friendly favorites.

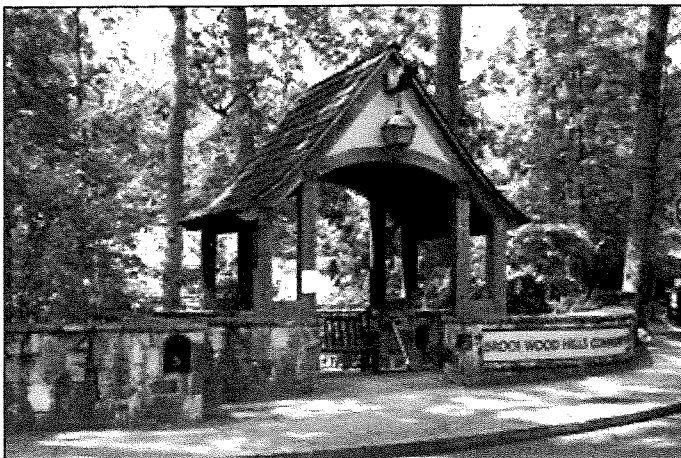
Menu updates will be announced on the BWHCC Facebook page. And stay tuned for a possible tasting menu for members!

From Our Catering Partner:

A Healthy Touch is a division of Added Touch Catering, one of the premier caterers in Atlanta.

Added Touch Catering has been a staple in Atlanta’s upscale catering scene for nearly two decades. Our full-service catering company has garnered both national and local accolades for their innovative menus and events spread. With our award-winning cuisine and emphasis on personalization, Added Touch Catering stands out as one of the region’s most cherished event catering companies.

With wonderful direction by our founder Sandra Bank, we are driven by Bank’s philosophy that food brings people together and great food can make the occasion shine. As a home cook living in South Africa, Bank developed that viewpoint while fostering her passion for entertaining. Upon moving to Atlanta, Bank broadened her culinary skill set, cooking salads, spreads and other accompaniments for a local bread company. She soon began working as a private chef and caterer before ultimately founding Added Touch.



Brookwood Hills 2018 Pool Schedule

May 26—August 12

Monday-Saturday: 10am to 9pm

Sunday: 11am-9pm

August 13—September 2

Monday-Thursday: 3:30pm to 8pm

Friday: 3:30pm to 9pm

Saturday: 10am to 9pm

Sunday: 11am to 9pm

Labor Day, September 3: 10am to 9pm

September 4, Tuesday: Closed

September 5, Wednesday: Closed

September 6, Thursday: Closed

September 7, Friday: 3:30pm to 9pm

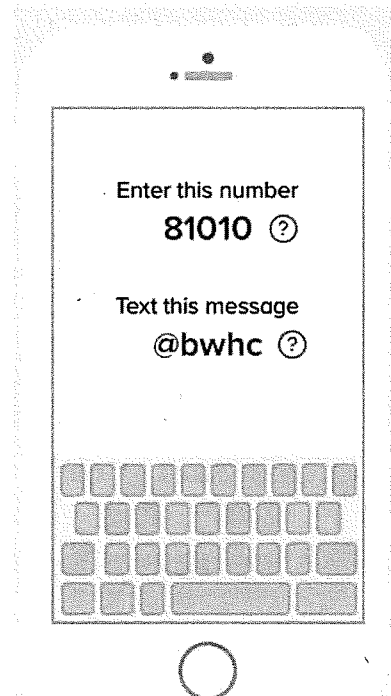
September 8, Saturday: 10am to 9pm

September 9, Sunday: 11am to 6pm (Dog Swim)

Swim & Dive Team Website: Practice Times and Meet Schedule

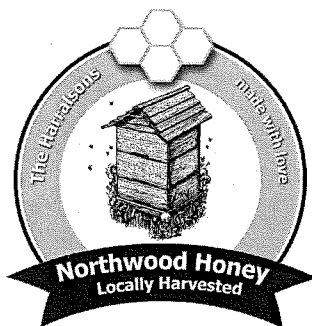
<https://bwh.swimtopia.com/>

Sign Up for the New Text Notifications System for Pool Notices!



Northwood Honey

Contributed by Christy Harris



Christy Harris and Jefferson Harralson are proud to say they have over 200,000 children in their back yard. They have grown to love and admire how bees work together - and enjoy the honey, too. They first became interested in bee keeping after reading about the massive challenges

that western honey bees are facing from widespread use of pesticides and chemicals. Over the last 10 years, the US has lost 40% of the bee population. So when Jefferson and Christy received a bee keeping starter kit and supplies as wedding gifts, having three friends that were already beekeepers, they thought it was time to embark on their beekeeping journey.

In Spring of 2015, Christy was even more inspired by local master beekeeper, Linda Tillman, who gave a presentation to the Brookwood Hills Garden Club and opened up some community hives as a demonstration.

In early Spring 2016, Christy and Jefferson enrolled in a beekeeping crash course from Toccoa's Mountain Sweet Honey owner, Ray Civitts, who, coincidentally, had just retired from 23 years at United Community Bank, where Jefferson is now CFO. From Ray they purchased 2 nucleus bee colonies ("nucs") and started the fascinating challenge of raising bees. They decided not to harvest the honey that summer but instead let the colonies get more established.

In early Spring of 2017, with the hope of having a large, established apiary from which to extract honey in the summer, they witnessed the inevitable but heartbreaking ritual when one of their hives swarmed. Not knowing what else to do, they leaned on a few fellow local beekeepers, Catherine Montgomery and Sam Alston, to try and recapture the bees, but these more experienced beekeepers (with Sam's swarm catching equipment) arrived about 30 minutes too late. They probably lost 25% of their bees that day.

Soon, their hobby turned into a passion. Christy joined the Metro Atlanta Bee Keeping Association (MABA) and attended a few of their monthly meetings. Eager for more knowledge, Christy attended a three day class at the annual Young Harris Beekeeping Institute, just 10 minutes from Jefferson's company headquarters in Blairsville, Georgia. There she studied organic alternatives to treating

the dreaded Varroa destructor mite, a primary stress factor in the declining bee population, and learned how to make beeswax lotion bars, lip balm, and encaustic paintings.

Through MABA Christy met Mickey Anderson, a Dallas Georgia resident with a degree from University of Georgia in Entomology. Mickey is a bee mentor to Jefferson and Christy, and actually brought his equipment to Northwood for their first honey extraction in Summer of 2017. Jefferson and Christy, along with a few neighbors and their beekeeper friends from Charleston, harvested about 30 pounds of honey. And then they were hooked.

Later that Fall they added another nuc, and in Spring of 2018, with Mickey's help, split two of their hives, creating a 6 hive apiary, hoping to thwart the inevitable Spring swarm. They read (and highly recommend) Thomas D. Seeley's book, *Honey Bee Democracy*, which not only explained the reasoning for swarming, but intricacies of how these tiny creatures work together without spoken language to build a quorum to locate food and water and decide on a new home. Unfortunately, the hive splitting and generous winter feeding did not prevent a swarm. Thankfully, the departure didn't wipe out the apiary, just made a small dent in the population. They expect to extract triple the amount of honey as the year before.

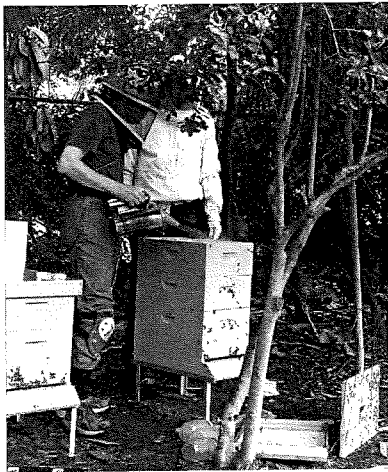


Every month or so, Jefferson and Christy suit up in their protective gear and open up the boxes to check for invaders (mites, moths, beetles, ants, roaches, wasps) and the productivity of the queen. Interestingly, each hive can have only one queen, and she can live for 3-4 years, while the average life span of a worker (female) honey bee is less than a few months. In Spring about 90% of the hive is composed of female worker bees, each having a specific job primarily based on age. A worker bee starts out as a feeder of larvae and baby bees, then a hive cleaner, then a comb builder, then a guardian of the hive entrance, then finally a forager, collecting nectar and pollen.

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If the colony of bees gets too large, or the existing queen ages or is injured and loses egg laying productivity, the worker bees will start feeding select larvae with royal jelly, raising new queens. The old queen will usually leave with half her bees, or get killed off by the new queen or a preemptive beekeeper. Despite direction from Mickey, Jefferson and Christy have yet to euthanize an unproductive queen. If multiple new queens are born together, they fight to the death leaving only one queen. The drone (male) bees have only one function: to mate with the queen, the mating act being what kills them. Drones can't sting, collect pollen or nectar, or take care of larvae. They eat and maybe have sex once. In late Fall, when there is no need for further mating and the worker bees want to preserve food for the winter, they kick out the remaining drones, sometimes killing them and dragging them dead to the front of the hive, leaving a 100% female hive. How about that for Darwinian Feminism?



Jefferson and Christy are often asked a few things about their bees (1) do the neighbors mind and (2) do they sell their honey. They have had no complaints about the bees, as honey bees don't bother you unless they deem you a predator. In fact, Brookwood Hills residents should see improvements in their gardens from increased pollination. When asked about selling their honey, so far their response has been, "it's too priceless." But for family, friends, neighbors, clients, and those who do good deeds, occasionally they will find a lotion bar or jar of "Northwood Honey" on their porch. And it's good as gold.

If you ever see a swarm of bees in your yard (typically a cluster in a tree), call the MABA hotline at (404) 519-4141. They have a waiting list of beekeepers like Jefferson and Christy who would gladly fetch the valuable colony of bees from an accessible location in your yard.

Lee King Tennis 2018 Summer Clinics

Ms. Lee King will once again be conducting Junior Tennis Clinics and Women's Beginning/Intermediate Clinics.

The clinics will run Monday-Friday for one hour each. The price per person is \$100 per week. Please call or email Lee directly to sign up or if you have any questions: 404-261- 8643; leekingtenpro@aol.com.

3 and 4 year olds: June 4-June 8 (9:45-10:45am)
5 and 6 year olds: June 11-June 15 (9:45-10:45am)
7 and 8 year olds: June 18-June 22 (9:30-10:30am)
9 and 10 year olds: June 25-June 29 (9:30-10:30am)

Beginning Women: June 25-June 29 (10:30-11:30am)
Private/Family Lessons: July 2-July 6 (contact Lee for times)
Intermediate Women: July 9-July 13 (9:00-10:00am)
11 and 12 year olds: July 9-July 13 (10:00-11:00am)
5 and 6 year olds: July 16-July 20 (9:30-10:30am)
7 and 8 year olds: July 23-July 27 (9:30-10:30am)
3 and 4 year olds: July 30-August 3 (9:30-10:30am)



Thank you to our Pool Chairs for the Pool Pavilion's beautiful new furniture! After an event or casual use, kindly replace it back to its intended position so that the area looks nice for other members.

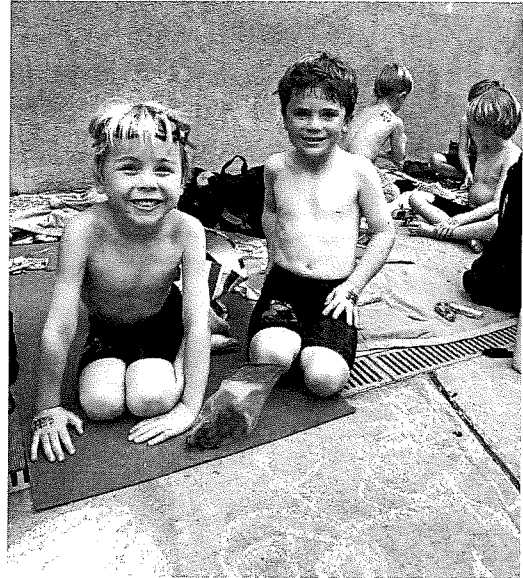
New to Brookwood Hills?

Contact Tom Carr at
membership@brookwoodhills.com
to join the BWH Community Club
take advantage of pool, tennis and security!

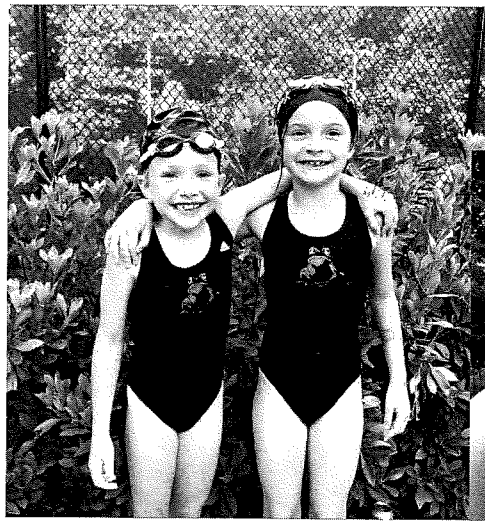
Pool Season and Swim Team Fun Already in Full Swing *Go Bullfrogs!*



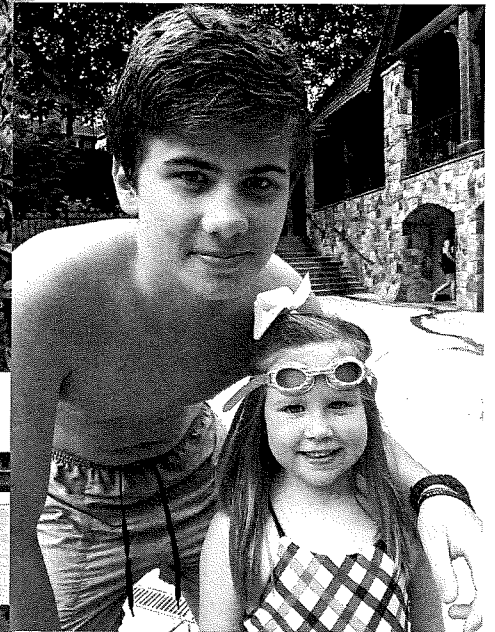
Caroline Fisher, Bing Mock and Caroline Little



Ford Donaldson and Thomas Zabor



Barrett Kenna and Amelia Dierdorff



Coach Graham Lee and Lawson Adams



"6 and Under" newbies their first week with Coach Tim

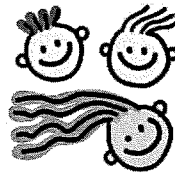
Announcements & Recommendations

MOVING NEEDS



Moving, rearranging, or spring cleaning? Donna Mintz of 35 Wakefield recommends Jeremiah Sirmans for your moving needs - small or large. He has handled work at both my home and studio for years and is timely, responsible, respectful of your home and belongings, and as careful with taking away discards as he is with moving fine art. Contact Jeremiah at 678-754-3221

BABYSITTING



My name is Margaret Silliman (I live on the corner of Huntington and Northwood), and I am available to babysit on nights and weekends this summer. I will be home from studying abroad on June 16th and am in town until the very end of August! I am a rising second year student at UVA, and have lots of babysitting and camp experience with kids of any age. Please contact me at (404) 606-0844 (cell) or mds3ec@virginia.edu



Staff and Community Training on Emergency Preparedness

Location: Shepherd Center
7th Floor Auditorium
2020 Peachtree Rd
Atlanta, GA 30303

Date: July 10, 2018

Time: 9am - 4:30pm

Drop in event: Join us for training, snacks, and free education sessions!

RSVP: Elizabeth.head@dph.ga.gov



Shepherd Center



Georgia Trauma Commission
LEADER TRAUMA CARE NETWORK COMMISSION

For more information visit: www.bleedingcontrol.org

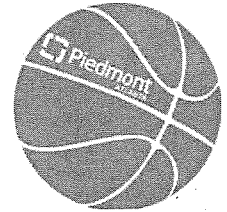
CATALYST FITNESS



Katie Wolf recommends Catalyst Fitness for Small Group and Personal Training. Unlike other facilities whose classes start on the hour, Small Group Personal Training on Demand begins when you arrive and ends when you complete the given day's workout. Catalyst is located just a mile up Peachtree and has a very welcoming yet challenging fitness environment. catalystfitness.com

Piedmont Atlanta Fitness Center Tournament

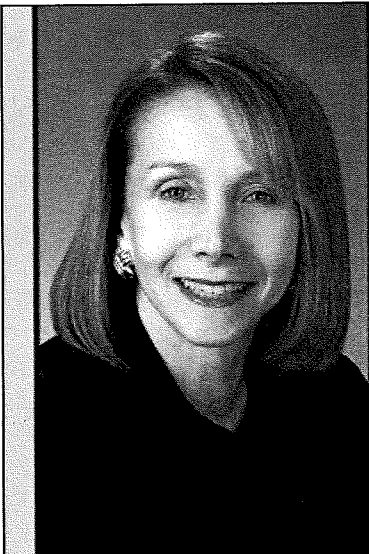
3 on 3 Tournament: \$45 per team
Three Point Shootout: \$10 per person
Dunk Contest: \$10 per person



Tuesday, June 19 from 6:00pm-8:30pm
Piedmont Atlanta Fitness Center

- ▶ Single elimination tournament (need a min. of 8 teams)
- ▶ Jerseys available for use (limited quantity)
- ▶ Best of 25 three point shots (5 locations)
- ▶ Dunk contest divisions: 8, 9 and 10-foot goals
- ▶ Prizes to first place in each contest
- ▶ Music, food and fun for all!

**Call 404-605-1966 or visit
the Piedmont Atlanta Fitness Center to register**



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